

**APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DOWNLOADING JOURNEY-
RELATED INFORMATION**

5 Vehicles (106) are equipped with two-way communication units (401) that
communicate with roadside (114) and vehicular mounted two-way communication
units to receive and/or exchange journey-related information. When approaching a
geographic zone that does not support such services, a given vehicle (106) can receive
at least a partial download of journey-related information concerning the second
10 geographic zone (102) while still proximal to the entry border (107) for that zone
(102). The download can be implemented wirelessly, through hard physical contact, or
both. The download may also be at least partially concluded while traveling within the
second geographic zone (102) through use of a second non-compatible wireless
service such as wireless telephony.

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